

Practitioner's Docket No. SST/1083

EV 073 869061

PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of: Crawford, Mark G.; Pryor, Steven E.; and Commins, Alfred D.

Application No.: 09/728,187

Group No.: 3635

Filed: December 1, 2000

Examiner: Katcheves, B.

For: Screw Fastener in Multiple Floor Truss and Wood-to-Wood Shear Connection

Box RCE

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE)
(37 C.F.R. 1.114)**

1. Applicant hereby requests continued examination, in accordance with 37 C.F.R. Section 1.114, for the above identified application.

TIME REQUEST IS BEING MADE

2. This request is being submitted:

- i. Payment of the issue fee

Prior to payment of issue fee

ENCLOSURES

3. Enclosed herewith is:

An information disclosure (37 C.F.R. Section 1.98)

Form PTO-1449 (PTO/SB/08A and 08B)

FEE FOR REQUEST (37 C.F.R. Section 1.17(e)).

4. This application is on behalf of:

Other than a small entity

Continued Prosecution Request Fee: \$740

FEE FOR CLAIMS**EV 073 869061**

5. The fee for claims (37 C.F.R. Section 1.16(b)-(d)) has been calculated as shown below:

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			OTHER THAN A SMALL ENTITY		
(Col. 1)		(Col. 2)	(Col. 3)		
Claims Remaining After Amendment		Highest No. Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Rate	Addit. Fee
Total	25	Minus	25	= 0	x \$18 = \$0
Indep.	4	Minus	4	= 0	x \$84 = \$0
First Presentation of Multiple Dependent Claim				+ \$280 =	\$0
				Total Addit. Fee	\$0

- * If the entry in Col. 1 is less than the entry in Col. 2, write "0" in Col. 3,
 - ** If the "Highest No. Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 20, enter "20".
 - *** If the "Highest No. Previously Paid For" IN THIS SPACE is less than 3, enter "3".
- The "Highest No. Previously Paid For" (Total or Indep.) is the highest number found in the appropriate box in Col. 1 of a prior amendment or the number of claims originally filed.

No additional fee for claims is required.

EXTENSION OF TIME

6. The proceedings herein are for a patent application, and the provisions of 37 C.F.R. Section 1.136(a) apply.

Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this is a conditional petition and authorization to pay the necessary fees to provide for the possibility that applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition and fee for extension of time.

TOTAL FEE(S) DUE

7. The total fee(s) due is/are:

Continued Prosecution Fee (Section 1.17(e)) \$740.00

Fee(s) for additional claims (Section 1.16(b)-(d)) \$0.00

Total Fee(s) Due: \$740.00

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PAYMENT OF FEE(S) DUE

8. Please pay the fee(s) for this continued examination application as follows:

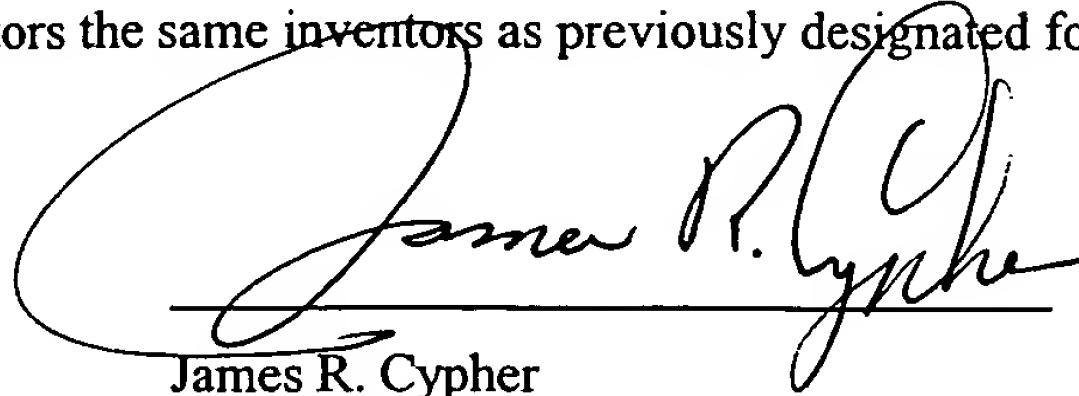
Check is attached for the sum of \$~~710.00~~^{740.00}. (Check no. 8978)

Please charge any required additional fee(s) for Section 1.17(e), Section 1.16(b)-(d) and/or Section 1.17(a)(1)-(4) to Account 03-4075

INVENTORSHIP

9. This application as amended names as inventors the same inventors as previously designated for the claims.

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